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SUBJECT: FAREWELLS

REF: (A) GEORGETOWN 1022

(B) GEORGETOWN 0311

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1. MOON ROCK AT LONG LAST PRESENTED TO PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM EVENING MARCH 6 (REF A). REGRET DELAY, BUT IT UNAVOIDABLE DUE SERIES CIRCUMSTANCES SINCE ELECTION CAMPAIGN INTERFERRED LAST JUNE. BURNHAM EXPRESSED GRATITUDE GUYANESE PEOPLE. EVENT WELL COVERED BY LOCAL MEDIA.

2. OCCASION WAS SMALL, INTIMATE "DRINKS PARTY" OFFERED BY PM AND MRS. BURNHAM IN LIEU OF FORMAL FAREWELL CALLS BY MY WIFE AND ME. OTHER GUESTS WERE SIX MEMBERS CABINET, INCLUDING DPTY PRIME MINISTER.

3. IN COURSE PRIVATE CONVERSATION, BURNHAM EXPRESSED REGRET

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AT MY DEPARTURE AND VOLUNTEERED THAT WARM PERSONAL AND OFFICIAL

RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN RECENT YEARS DESPITE OBVIOUS DIFFERENCES IN APPROACHES AND POLICIES REFLECTED SOPHISTICATION OF OUR RESPECTIVE PEOPLES. IN WARMEST TERMS ASKED THAT I TRANSMIT TO USG HIS DEEPEST APPRECIATION FOR ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION EXTENDED HIM AND HIS GOVERNMENT. MANY OTHERS EXPRESSED SIMILAR THANKS AS I MADE MY ROUND OF FAREWELLS, NOTABLY PRESIDENT CHUNG AND MINISTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT KENNETH KING. THESE SENTIMENTS ALSO REFLECTED IN THE MANY LETTERS I HAVE RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PERSONS ON EVE OF MY DEPARTURE.

4. TOOK ADVANTAGE OF PRIVATE TALKS GIVE PRIME MINISTER COPY OF EMB NOTE TO MOFA ASKING THAT ENCLOSED TEXT SECRETARY'S LETTER BE FORWARDED TO FONMIN RAMPHAL (REF B). BURNHAM EXPRESSED HIS ADMIRATION FOR SECRETARY AND PLEASURE OVER THE OBVIOUS WARMTH OF THE SECGETARY'S MESSAGE TO RAMPHAL.

5. ALSO GAVE PRIME MINISTER GIST OF DEPT'S MESSAGE CONCERNING FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR HIS FRIEND DR. HORACE CHOLMONDELEY (REF C). HE WAS GRATEFUL.

6. IN PASSING, BROUGHT TO BURNHAM'S ATTENTION POTENTIAL PROBLEM, REGARDING US-RUN AND OPIC-GUARANTEED LOCAL FLOUR MILL, WHICH SHUT DOWN SINCE MONDAY AND BEGINNING LAY OFF WORKERS DUE INABILITY COLLECT BETWEEN 1.7 AND 2.5 MILLION G DOLLARS OWED IT BY GOG ON DELIVERIES SINCE JAN 1. BURNHAM UNAWARE OF PROBLEM BUT MOVED IMMEDIATELY TO RESOLVE IT, AND MILL FUNCTIONING AGAIN TODAY. KING

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